

Please add the following new claims:

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--14. A substantially anhydrous ointment consisting of acetylsalicylic acid and a base selected from the group consisting of hydrocarbon gel, vaseline and a mixture thereof without any other additive for said acetylsalicylic acid.

15. An anhydrous ointment consisting essentially of acetylsalicylic acid and a base selected from the group consisting of hydrocarbon gel, vaseline and a mixture thereof without any other additive for said acetylsalicylic acid.--

REMARKS

Status of the Claims

Claims 1-6, 8-10, 14 and 15 are pending in the present application. Claims 7, 11, 12 and 13 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. Support for the amendments to claim 1 include the description on page 4, line 7 of the specification. Claims 14 and 15 are supported by claim 1.